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I AM GROOT



A BODY AS STRONG AS A REDWOOD, LIMBS THAT EXTEND LIKE VINES, AND WITH THE ABILITY TO REGROW FROM A SPLINTER...GROOT WAS THE BIGGEST AND STRONGEST MEMBER OF THE GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY. BUT NOW, HE'S STUCK AT THE SIZE OF A SAPLING. THE GALAXY CAN BE A DANGEROUS PLACE FOR A LITTLE TREE WHO DOESN'T SAY ANYTHING BUT...



I AM GROOT

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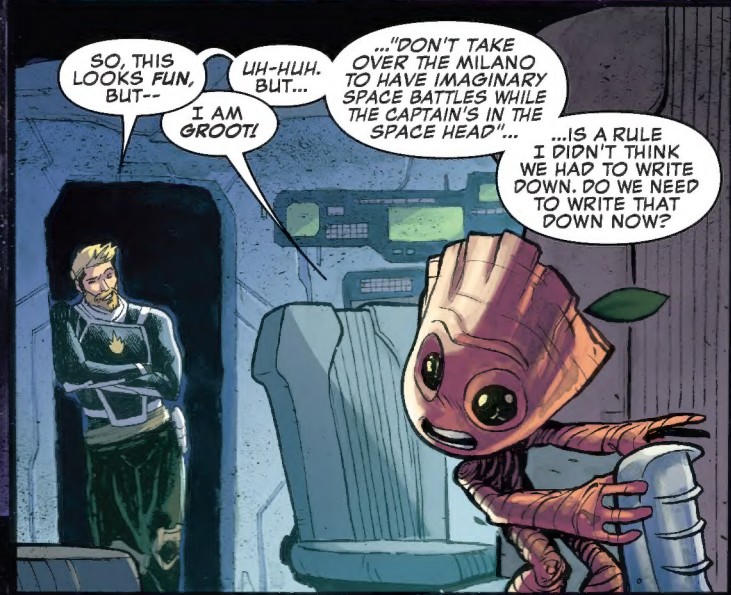
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SOMEWHERE IN
THE MILKY WAY...

I
AM

GR0000T!







WEIRD
THING! DON'T
WANT TO HIT
THE WEIRD
THING!

WHAT THE
HECK IS
THAT?



WHAT--

UH, TEAM
MEETING?

I SEE
A...
...THING?



A BAD
THING?
QUILL...



IIIIII!

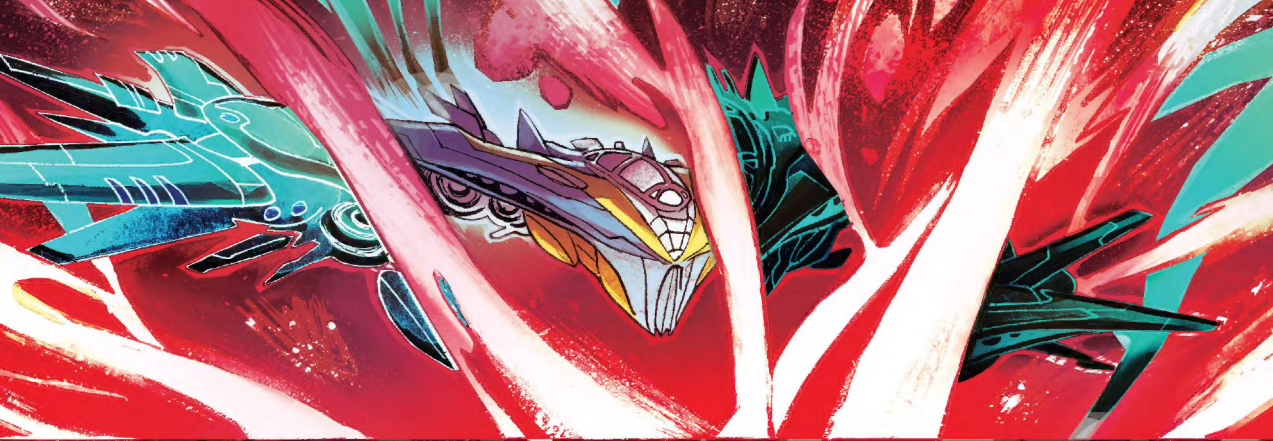
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I AM
GROOT!

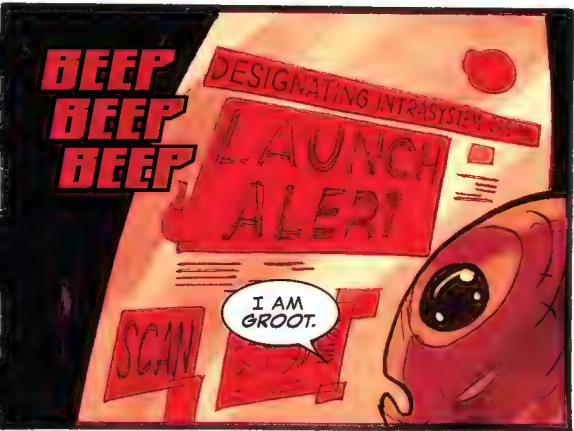
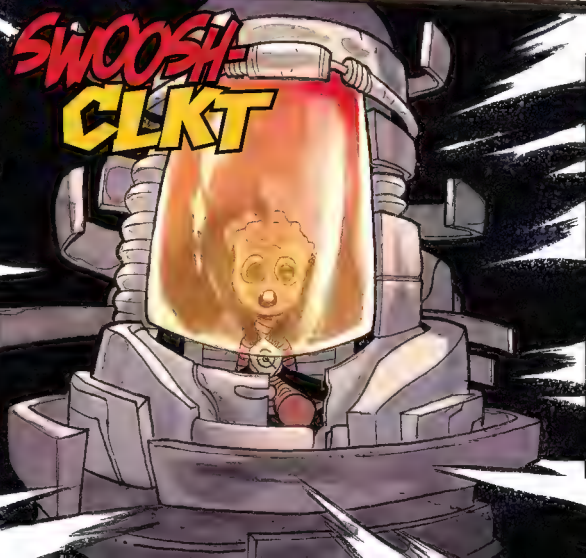
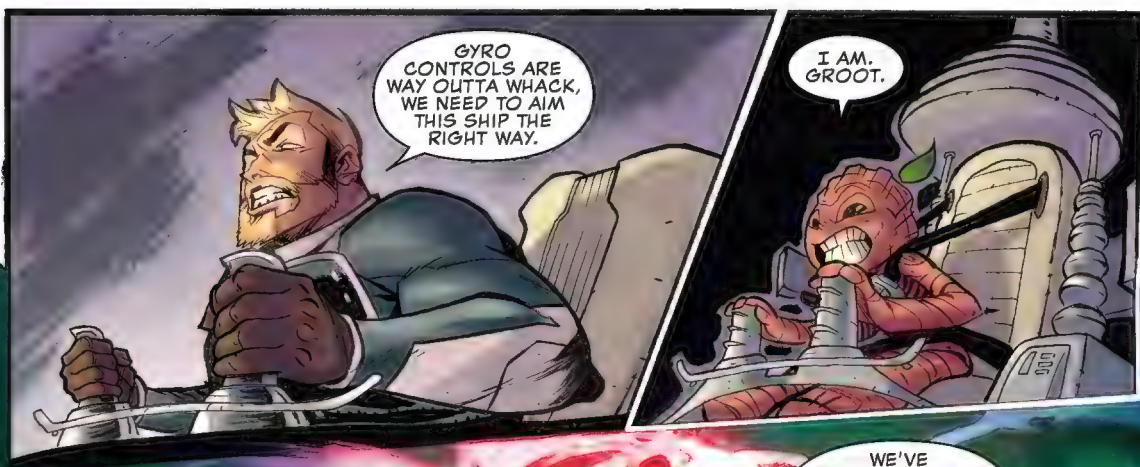
















WEE-00
WEE-00
WEE-00

BEEP
BEEP
BEEP

ALMOST...
GOT IT...

DID AN
ALARM JUST
GO OFF FOR
AN ESCAPE
POD?

WOMP
WOMP
WOMP

THERE IS
CURRENTLY A
CACOPHONY
OF ALARMS.

RIGHT...


WASN'T
GROOT RIGHT
BEHIND ME?

ALERT.
ALERT.




I AM
GROOT?!

VISITOR.
YOU ENTER
AT YOUR
PERIL.




IF YOU
WOULD
APPROACH, WE
DEAD WOULD
BEG YOU...



...AWAKEN
THE TERMINAL
EYE. IT MUST
LOOK ON THE
UNSEEN
AGAIN.

"SOMEONE'S
APPROACHING?"

**THE SURFACE
BELOW...**



WELL, NO
NEED FOR THAT
GIANT HOLOGRAPHIC
DOORBELL TO GIVE OUR
VISITOR ANY IDEAS
ON UPSETTING
THINGS.

SHUT
IT OFF.

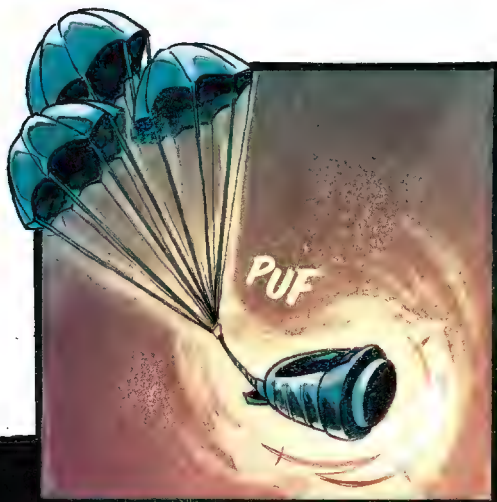


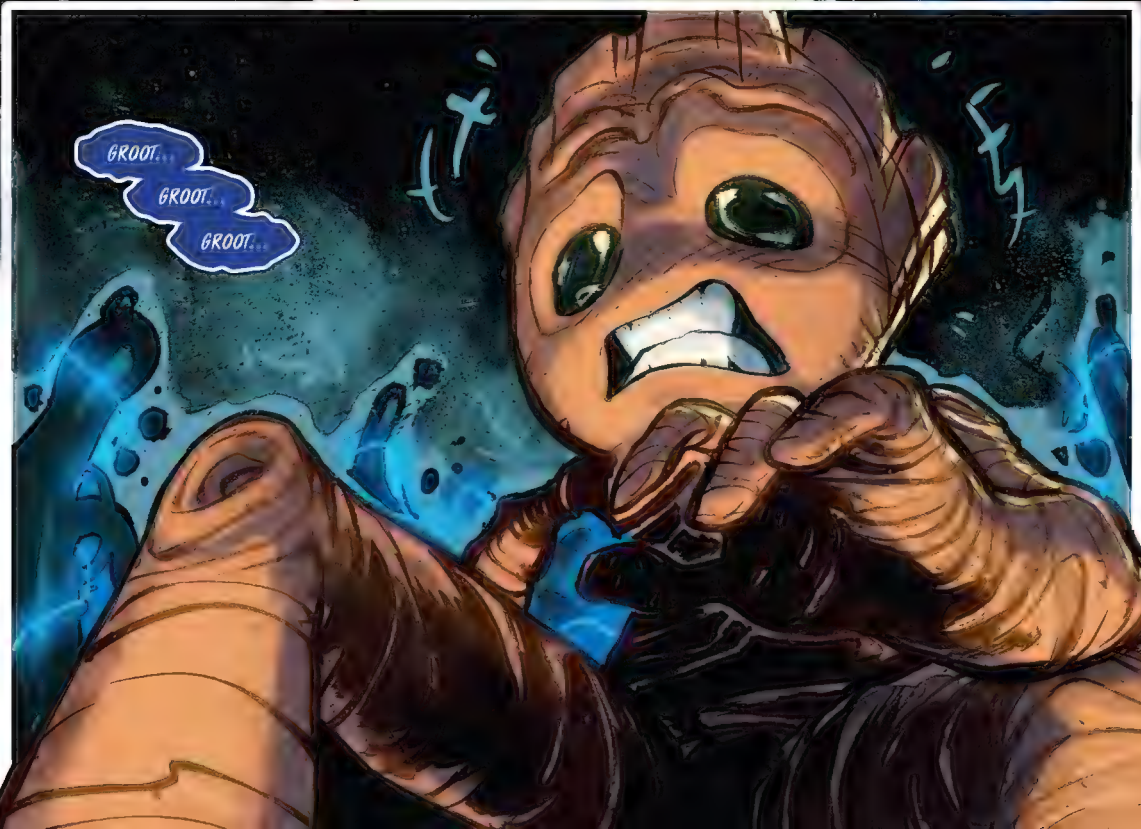
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SFTZZ

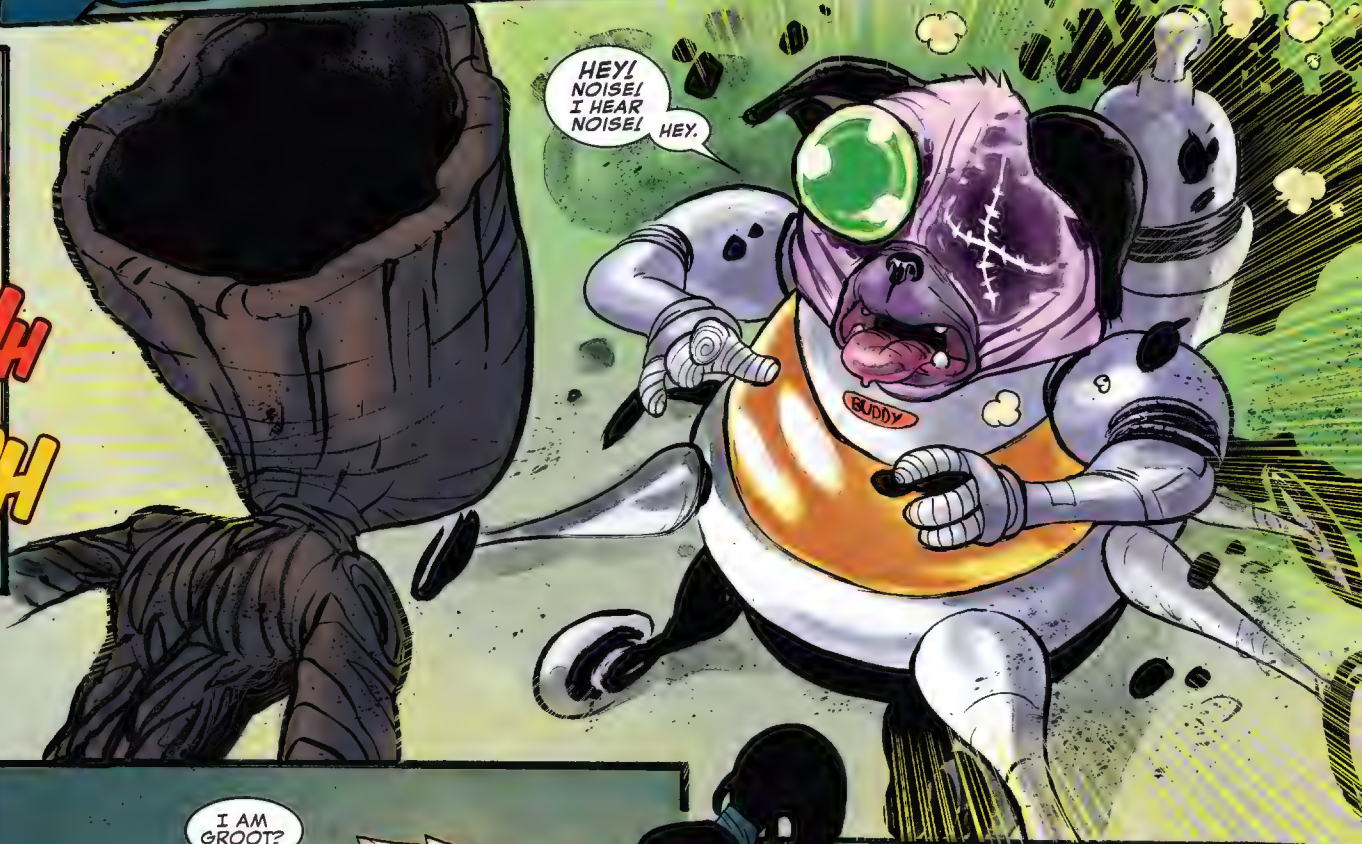
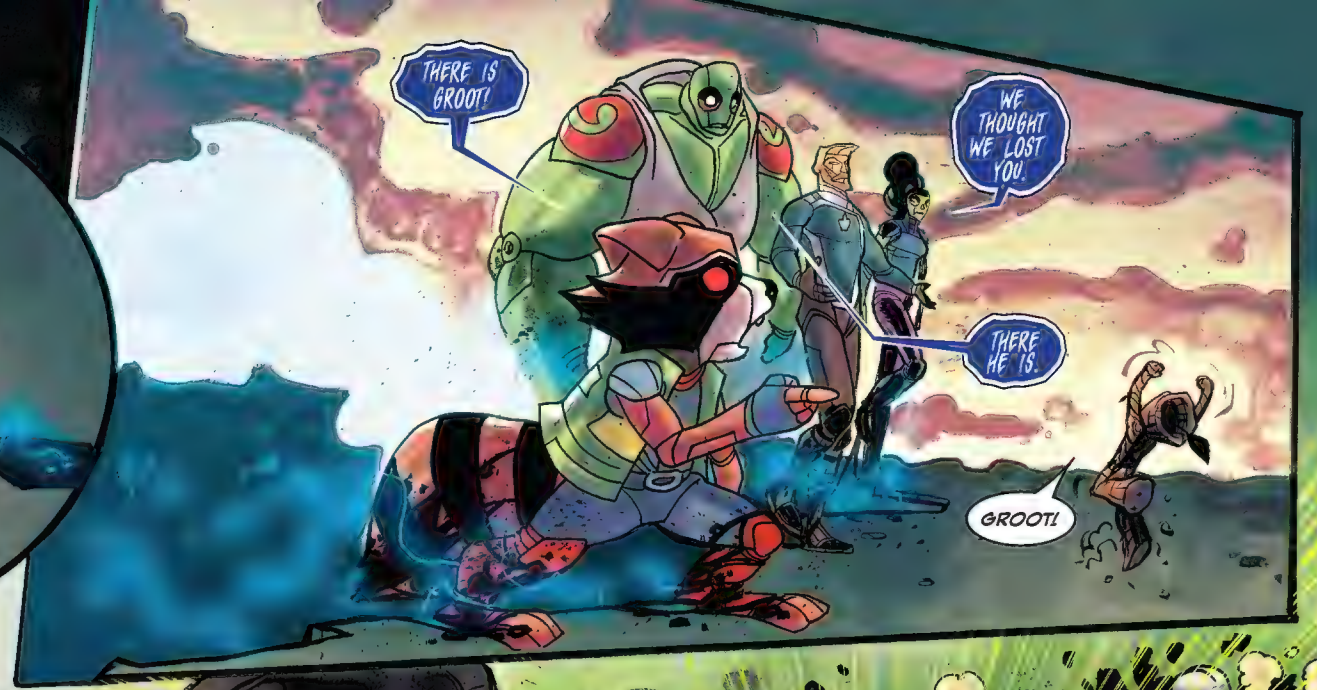


I AM
GROOT.

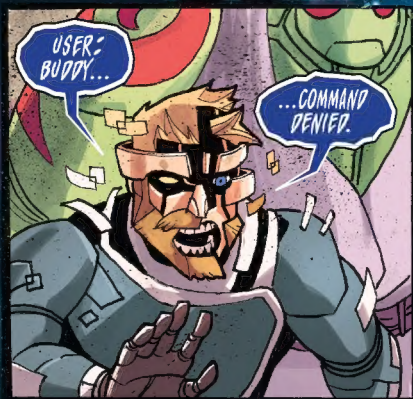








THE MILANO. BACK IN THE MILKY WAY.



USER:
BUDDY...

...COMMAND
DENIER.

ROCKET,
CALM DOWN.
WE CAN FIX
THIS.

WE
NEED TO GO
BACK FOR
GROOT!

THE GATE
OR WHATEVER IT
WAS IS CLOSED!
WE CAN'T GO BACK!
WE DON'T EVEN
KNOW WHERE
BACK IS!

YOU
LEFT HIM
THERE! YOU
LEFT GROOT
BEHIND!

WE ALL
DID! WE ALL
SHOULD FEEL
BAD ABOUT
IT!

I FEEL IT
WOULD BE
ACCEPTABLE FOR
YOU TO HIT A WALL
IN FRUSTRATION.
JUST A WALL.



NEW USER GROOT
IS LOST AND REQUIRES
COMFORT. WHAT DOES USER
BUDDY REQUIRE?

I SAID
TO SHUT
DOWN AND
GO AWAY!

COMMAND
UNRECOGNIZED.
YOU WILL BE HELD
FOR LANGUAGE
ASSISTANCE.



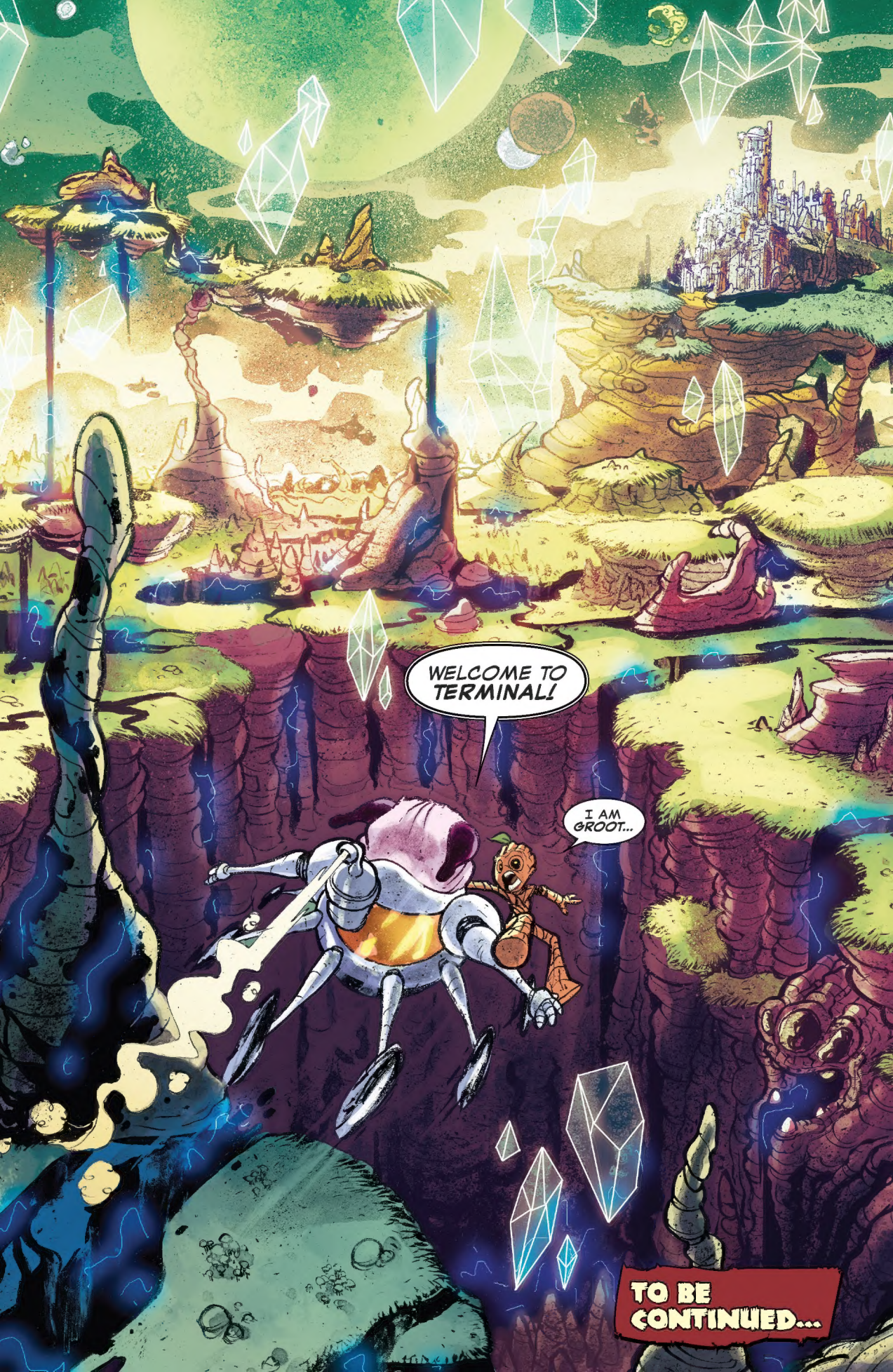
NEW GUEST
AND USER BUDDY
MUST RETURN TO BASE
STATION!

GROOT,
I DON'T KNOW
YOU, BUT YOU SHOULD
KNOW THERE'S A WHOLE
LOT OF ELECTRIFIED
SWAMP WATER TO BE
DRUG THROUGH ON THE
WAY TO THE BASE
STATION!

I AM
GROOOOOT!

YEAH, I
GOT YOUR
NAME, STICK
FRIEND.

I HOPE
YOU'RE STURDIER
THAN YOU LOOK
FOR THIS
NEXT BIT.



WELCOME TO
TERMINAL!

I AM
GROOT...

TO BE
CONTINUED...

NEXT:
**I AM
GROOT #2**



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